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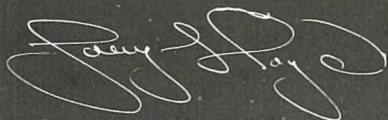
# LARRY LLOYD

Good evening and a warm welcome to Bournemouth and their very capable manager David Webb who has certainly done well this season. With both teams tonight still in contention for promotion I can guarantee that both sides will be giving their all tonight.

In this my first full year of management, I can appreciate what makes some teams great and others mediocre and that is how they stand up to pressure. As you will realise the pressure which supporters feel is as nought compared with that in the dressing room where promotion means so much. But the players are bearing up well and proving that they are true professionals. All we have to do to secure our goal is to repeat our hard work and commitment which has got us this far. And as for me, I am obviously delighted that I am under pressure because it means that we are in a position to leave the Fourth Division, hopefully forever. In life nothing is won without effort and worry and determination. If the players can forget the worry and concentrate on the other two, we will soon be celebrating.

Finally, I am sure you will join me on congratulating Les Bradd on being elected Player of the Year. Well done Les.

Best wishes,



Larry Lloyd.



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## DOWN MEMORY LANE

After the departure of Gordon Milne, a local man in Les Rigby was appointed as manager in a part-time capacity. Les had many years experience in non-league football both as a player and a manager, and was very successful, which proved to be the case at Wigan. Les was, and still is, a Physical Education Lecturer at Wigan Technical College and is now Manager at Morecambe. Unfortunately, Les wasn't able to keep Gordon Milne's side together — Geoff Davies was sold to Chester, Bobby Todd went to Scarborough, Jim Fleming back to Scotland and Derek Temple retired. In their place he signed Tony Marsden and Albert Jackson from Bangor, Micky Worswick from Chorley, Mickey Taylor of Netherfield, the former England Amateur International from Oldham.

The newcomers fitted in well and the club finished third in the Northern Premier League that season. In the F.A. Cup they were defeated 2-1 at Grimsby. The season, will, however, be best remembered as Wigan's Wembley Year and it was a fantastic run in the F.A. Challenge Trophy that earned them their well deserved place in the final. In the run to Wembley they beat Burton Albion 5-0, South Liverpool 2-0, Romford 2-0. The Fourth Round was a

marathon — 300 minutes of football, 1-1 at Morecambe, 0-0 at Wigan and 1-0 at Blackburn in the second replay. That put Wigan in the semi-final, they were drawn against Stafford at Port Vale's ground, but the game finished a goalless draw, and there was a further replay at Oldham — Wigan were successful 1-0, a goal scored by Graham Oates. **WIGAN WERE WEMBLEY BOUND.**

Almost nineteen thousand tickets were sold in Wigan for this Wembley final — the actual gate being 24,000. Wigan's opponents that day were Scarborough. Wigan's team was  
REEVES

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Scarborough won the game 2-1 after extra time.

The team returned to Wigan on the Sunday after the game, and a reception in London on Saturday evening amidst great excitement and a tremendous welcome. There was also a Civic Reception in the Town Hall.

Half way through the following season Les Rigby left the club and Brian Tiler was appointed Player Manager.

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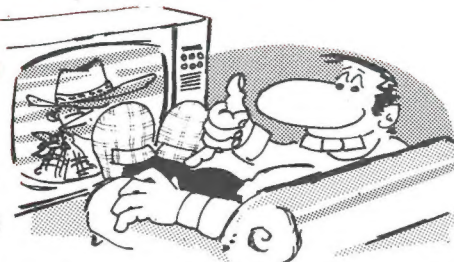
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# COMING SHORTLY

## MANSFIELD TOWN

The history of Mansfield Town dates back to 1908, when the "Stags" as they were popularly known to their supporters were formed out of Greenhalgh's works team, whose Ground at Field Mill, since greatly modernised, is still its headquarters. The Club's nickname comes from Mansfield's traditional association with Sherwood Forest, and Stag's Head on the Borough Coat of Arms.

The Club was reconstructed in 1921, and moved up from the Central Alliance League to the Midlands Counties League, winning the championship of the latter competition three times in six years. In those days, that gained national fame by reaching the fourth round of the F.A. Cup in 1928-29, beating Barrow and Wolves away from home, before going down to Arsenal before a crowd of 45,000, at Highbury. Many old followers of the Club swear to this day that they would have got over that hurdle as well, had the team Captain Chris Staniforth, tragically missed a penalty early on. The football world knew them at that time as the "egg and milk" team from their favourite training diet.

It was 1931 that election came to the Third Division (at the seventh time of asking). To begin with they were given a place on the Southern section, but the Stags switched backwards and forwards between one section and another several times, because of their midway geographical position.

Promotion to the Second Division had been very close on two occasions in season 1950-51 they finished runners up to Rotherham United and in 1964-65 they missed promotion on goal average, being pipped by Carlisle United and Bristol City. It was finally achieved in season 1976-77 when finishing the Third Division Champions.

Their efforts in the F.A. Cup in recent years have been very good. In 1968-69 getting to the sixth round for the first time in the club's history, being beaten at Field Mill 1-0 by Leicester City.

Famous names who have managed the Club over the years include Roy Goodhall, Freddie Steele, Raich Carter, Sam Weaver, Tommy Cummings and Danny Williams. Promotion to the Second Division was achieved under the guidance of Peter Morris. Peter started with the Club on leaving school, was later transferred to Ipswich with whom he had eight years, then moving on to Norwich City for a season before returning to Mansfield. Stuart Boam returned to take over as manager in July, 1981. He was transferred as a youngster for £40,000 fee in 1971 to Middlesbrough. He captained the First Division side for 9 seasons before moving to Newcastle United.

## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday, 8th May, 1982.

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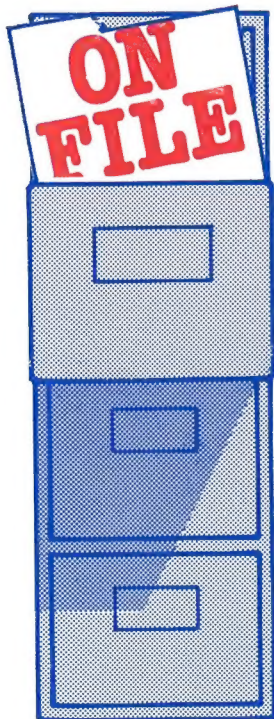
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"Hello", says I, "is John Smith there?"

"Hello, John" says she, "what are you doing there?" "I thought you were upstairs having a bath".

"Pardon?"

"Yes?"

"Er, no, this is Colin Burke, is John Smith there?"

"No, Colin Burke doesn't live here".

"Pardon?"

"Yes"

"Er . . . " I hung up.

I redialed. I decided to shout.

"HELLO — THIS IS COLIN BURKE. IS JOHN SMITH THERE?"

"Oh, hello Colin. John has just been on the 'phone asking if you rang. I hung up and sent a telegram!

But my biggest faux pas occurred when I'd been watching how more experienced Secretaries work. I was sat in the office of a Fourth Division counterpart when his

phone rang. "Bennet!" he said, giving his name, and he proceeded to carry on his conversation in a very professional manner. I was definitely impressed. That's the way to do it, thought I, ooze with confidence and command. On my return to Springfield Park I was determined to emulate this most experienced gentleman. On Monday morning my chance came. My private line rang. Sitting well up in my chair, I lifted the receiver and declared "Burkel!" to which the person on the other end replied "B . . . d!" and hung up! Now I just pick the 'phone up and meekly say, "Hello".

On a final note, I would just like to put my two penn'orth in about the very trying time facing the Club, players and supporters alike. From the press and from talking to people I've obviously picked up the feeling of nervousness and worry being experienced by the town now that we are so close to the end of the season. When I came to Wigan I read a little about the town and discovered that the name meant (roughly translated) "the place of the battle." Such a splendid name should inspire us all to be confident, because without confidence you win nothing. As they used to say in Saxon times, "without battle you can't battle". Let's show the players and the rest of the country that we've got plenty, because there is no place for faint hearts in football.

Cheers,

Colin Burke.



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# THE LOCAL VIEW



by Harold Ashurst

Wigan Amateur League side Aspull, in the hunt for three trophies last weekend, experienced disappointment and jubilation within the space of four days.

On Saturday they lost to Wigan Youth and thus handed the Premier Division Championship to Bethel, but on Tuesday they gained their revenge when they beat "Youth" in the Hughes Cup final with goals from Currie (2) and Aspey.

The two teams have a chance of meeting again on May 15th in the Laithwaite Shield final at Springfield Park. They are both in the semi-finals against Whelley Reserves and Abram, but we shall have to wait and see what happens.

Chorley Youth and Hindley Town drew 1-1 in the Carter Shield final, Chorley's equaliser coming in the last

minute, and they must replay.

Other Amateur League honours known at press are: Division One champions, Lamberhead; Youth Division winners, Chorley, while Divisions Two and Three still have to be sorted out, but they are between St. Judes and Standish Lower Ground and Highfield or Abram Reserves respectively.

The cup competitions are still going on, but I'll bring them up to date at the next home match.

The Post and Chronicle League honours have been decided, but once again the cup battles still rage.

Bryn are Division One champions, Castle Spinners triumphed in Division Two, Pier won the Third Division and Rockleigh topped the fourth. Congratulations to all teams concerned.

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**BELOW:**  
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We now have some new badges in the Shop and any day now, we are expecting a new

barrel-bag with the Wigan badge, so buy one now before they all sell out, it's just right for the summer holidays, or ready for school next term.

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# RESERVE

The end of the season is becoming very interesting in the Lancashire League. The Reserves are now sitting on top.

The remaining games are:-

**3rd MAY — ROCHDALE (A)**  
**7th MAY — STOCKPORT (A)**  
**12th MAY — WREXHAM (A)**  
**18th MAY — WREXHAM (H)**

On 13th May, 1982, the Wigan Cup Final will be staged at Springfield Park with a 6.30 p.m. kick-off; and on Saturday, 15th May, the Laithwaite Shield Final will be staged on Springfield Park.

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# SPOTLIGHT

The Committee and bar staff would like to welcome, the supporters, officials and players of A.F.C. Bournemouth to Springfield Park.

## **PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

Last Wednesday night we held our Player of the Year presentation. As most of you will know by now the winner was LES BRADD who polled 50% of the total votes, followed home by last year's winner COLIN METHVEN, with PETER HOUGHTON in third place. The night was a tremendous success, with everyone enjoying the evening, when the entertainment was provided by The Saffron Showgroup and Liberty Belles.

## **TOWN-END COVER COLLECTION**

Tonight we will be having a blanket collection, with the proceeds going towards the erection of cover for the Town-end of the ground. This has been organised by the Mayoress Mrs. Bridge, please give generously.

## **NOEL WARD BENEFIT**

On Thursday, 6th May, we are hold a concert at

Gidlow & Beech Hill Labour Club, with a selection of top line artists, entrance fee 25p. Tickets are available from the committee and also at Gidlow & Beech Hill Club. The benefit match will be played on Monday, 17th May, 1982, when our opponents will be Chelsea F.C. Extra interest has been created, now that Chelsea are owned by our former Vice-Chairman, Mr. Bates. Please come along and support a player who gave his all, only to be struck down by injury.

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subscriptions are now due, full membership is £1.20 with O.A.P's 60q.

## **GEORGE DUTTON**

I would like, on behalf of the Committee and members, to send deepest sympathy to the wife and relatives of George Dutton who died last week. George served for many years with the committee, and will be sadly missed.

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**Jimmy Hoy, Chairman.**



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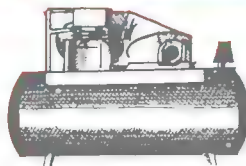
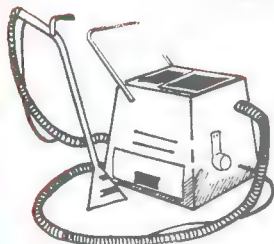
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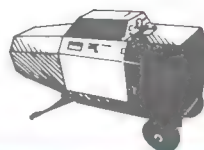
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**Back Row:** (Left to right) Phil Brignull, Nigel Spackman, John Impey, Paul Compton, Ian Leigh (G/K); Kenny Morgan, Tom Heffernan, Dean Mooney, Milton Graham.

**Front Row:** Neil Prosser; Derek Dawkins, Keith Williams, Brian Smith, Kevin Dawtry, Chris Sulley, Paul Edwards (now Leicester City).

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Their ground, known as Dean Court, has a capacity of 19,175, and they are nicknamed "The Cherries". They have had numerous well-

known managers such as Jack Bruton, Don Welsh, Billy McGarry, Alec Stock and John Bond, at the present time the position is held by David Webb.

We welcome their Team, Directors, and Officials to Springfield Park tonight in what should be a most interesting game in view of the League positions of each club.

## PERSON

**PHIL BRIGNULL** (AFC 23; Stratford, London. from West Ham 1981 and scored his first goal in November against Tottenham. **TOMMY HEFFERNAN** (AFC 23; Tottenham. joined Tottenham 1977 as a full-time



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# BORNE MOUTH



Allen (G/K), Trevor  
Edmunds, Eddie Kelly

## LOCALITIES

(Defender) League  
Others -; Born:  
Phil was signed  
United in August  
his first League goal  
at Blackpool.

**NIGEL** (Midfield)  
C 106; Others -;  
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Hostpur in July  
e professional. In

1978 he captained the Tottenham Reserves side which won the Football Combination League Championship, and was one of Alec Stock's first signings for AFC during the summer months of 1979. At the age of 21 Tommy captained an Irish Junior International side against Wales, and was the only 'ever present' member of the Bournemouth squad during the 1980/81 season.

**JOHN IMPEY** (Defender) League Apps. 252; Others 21; Born: Exeter. John played soccer for England at both Schoolboy and Youth levels. When he left home he joined Cardiff City as an apprentice. He made his League debut in 1972 and had made 21 League appearances for Cardiff when he moved to Dean Court in July 1975. John who spent one summer with Seattle Sounders in the NASL, made his 200th League appearance for AFC during last season.

**IAN LEIGH** (Goalkeeper) League Apps. AFC 31; Others -; Born: Ilfracombe. Ian has lived in the Southampton area since he was three years old. He represented Southampton Schools and joined Saints as an associated schoolboy, playing for Southampton's Youth and 'A' team. In 1978 he moved to Hants. Division 1 side Swaythling Athletic, and he joined AFC in October 1979, making his League debut in October 1981.

**TREVOR MORGAN** (Forward) League Apps. AFC 63; Others -; Born: Leytonstone. Trevor was signed from Leytonstone & Ilford F.C. for £3,000 and plunged straight into the first team in September 1980. He scored his first League goal against Rochdale, and finished last season joint highest scorer with 10 League goals.

**NIGEL SPACKMAN** (Forward) League Apps. 73 + 1; Others -; Born: Romsey. Twenty-four year old Nigel joined AFC from Southern League club Andover in February 1980 having previously captained the

Hampshire Youth side for two seasons. He made a number of impressive appearances for the AFC side and signed full-time professional forms during that summer. Nigel made his Football League debut versus Swindon Town in the League Cup in August and missed only two games for the AFC Bournemouth first team squad during last season. Scoring 3 goals.

**CHRIS SULLEY** (Forward) League Apps. 47 + 1; Others -; Born: Camberwell. Chris joined us on a free transfer from Chelsea in March 1981 where he had been playing as a full-back.

**KEITH WILLIAMS** (Defender) League Apps. 33 + 1; Others 131; Born: Burtwood, Birmingham. Starting his professional career with Aston Villa, Keith signed for Northampton in 1977, where he became a first team regular, missing only seven games last season and scoring twice. He joined AFC during the summer of 1981.

**TONY FUNNELL** (Forward) League Apps. AFC 35 + 1; Others 82; Born: Eastbourne. Twenty-four year old Tony started his professional career at Southampton making his League debut there in August 1977, before being transferred in March 1979 to Gillingham for £60,000. Subsequently moving on to Brentford in March 1980 where he made thirty two first team appearances. Tony signed for AFC in September 1981 eagerly hoping to add to his tally of twenty six League goals.

**ANDY CRAWFORD** (Forward) League Apps. 21 + 1; Others 69; Born: Filey. AFC Bournemouth's most costliest player for many years. The former Derby County and Blackburn Rovers striker looks capable of living up to his £40,000 fee. Made an impressive scoring debut for AFC at Blackpool in November. A quick moving player with an eye for goal and should figure prominently in the goal scoring for AFC this season.

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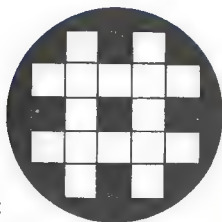
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# PUZZLE PAGE



## ON THE BALL No. 27

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## CLUB CLUE No. 27

Solve this cryptic clue to identify a soccer side:  
**Sounds like Oxford or Cambridge on the way past Fulham!**

## MIXED DOUBLES No. 27

Re-order the letters in each of the words  
**WALLING and WALLER** to find the names of two ex-England men.

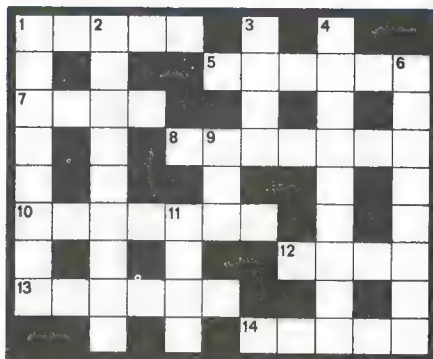
## QUICK QUIZ No. 27

1. Who (despite missing many matches) scored exactly 250 League goals in eight seasons?
2. Which club has spent the most time in the First Division?
3. Who are "The Jam Tarts"?
4. Which country had a keeper called Poland?
5. Who turned out in the 1951, 1953 and 1958 FA Cup finals with three different clubs?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 30

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1981/82 SERIES



## SOCCER NINETY- NINER

No. 27 (compiled by David Peck)

### ACROSS

- 1 & 5. Leeds United striker honoured at England Youth level (5,6)
7. Nickname of the club holding the League Cup (4)
8. Cardiff City's top scorer last season (7)
10. Country which produced the first of the 100-caps men (7)
12. One of the Hollins brothers (4)
13. Country in which all four British sides turned up to participate in a World Cup finals series (6)
14. His moves about London have cost about three million pounds (5)

### DOWN

1. Huddersfield Town's nickname (8)
2. He lifted the FA Cup in 1976 (9)
3. The season's top striker gains a golden one (4)
4. In possession (2,3,4)
6. Colourful-sounding custodian who made his debut with Walsall in 1977 (3,5)
9. The Welsh Walsh (3)
11. Bruce's first name (4)

# OUT & ABOUT



with Chris Gill

Having dutifully watched most of my football this season from the press box, from where, in the cold light of day, you always seem to see a different game than the rest of the crowd, I always relish the opportunity to slide back on to the terraces.

More recently I've begun to pull for a club, besides Latics, who are in the hunt for promotion, a famous name, hopefully, heading for the Second Division.

There have been traumatic times at Turf Moor, the home of the once mighty Burnley. But in thick and thin I found a couple of my pals couldn't desert a ship which, in early October, looked like sinking into Division Four.

I've seen some sights on my trips into East Lancashire this year. For example, I've seen Chester, possibly the worst side I've encountered this term. It comes as no surprise to see they have now been relegated into Division Four.

Another game I took in, involved Alliance League giants, Altrincham. They were smashed 6-1 and I remember returning home that night bemoaning the fact that I rarely see a goal spree like that at Latics.

Little did I know that those seven goals were about to be lost in a tally of 20 scored in the four matches I saw that week-end, Latics hammered 12 of them against Chorley, Peterborough and Bradford City.

Anyway, two weeks ago I toddled off to Burnley again, convinced as always that you've seen everything in football.

Remember Latics' amazing fightback against Port Vale, when they battled from 3-0 down to win 5-3 in the second half?

Or how about the mauling York City gave Latics at Springfield a couple of seasons back. The score was 5-2 after York had been pulverised for the

first 15 minutes.

I'll certainly never forget Everton's Boxing Day encounter with Manchester United some time ago. United won 6-2 and they were the away team.

Right, back to Burnley and their opponents were Southend, a side which defeated Latics twice last season and had moved onto the fringe of the Third Division promotion chase with the same players — except for Steve Phillip, signed from Northampton.

Southend went 2-0 up in 10 minutes and were cruising until the most ridiculous off-side decision of the season let Burnley in. Sure enough the Clarets equalised just before half-time and then Southend had defender Cusack sent off for the best tackle of the season.

It's amazing how the shape of games can change. From showing great poise and being in command, Southend, down to 10 men, were now happy to boot the ball as far as Oswaldtwistle in a bid to save their bacon.

It was to be a Burnley walkover in the second half, so everybody thought, except on old chap, the eternal pessimist, who recalled Sunderland seeing his side off when they had only nine men!

And sure enough, a superb 10 man Southend bombed Burnley with three goals in 15 minutes of the restart and really should have had their backsides kicked for not doubling that tally.

It was the most astonishing performance, and one were the referee may have missed a goal. He was clutching a muscle after pulling up and surely didn't see Derek Spence strike the goal.

And to cap a most unusual night out, the man of the match netted . . . past his own 'keeper. Can anyone top that lot?

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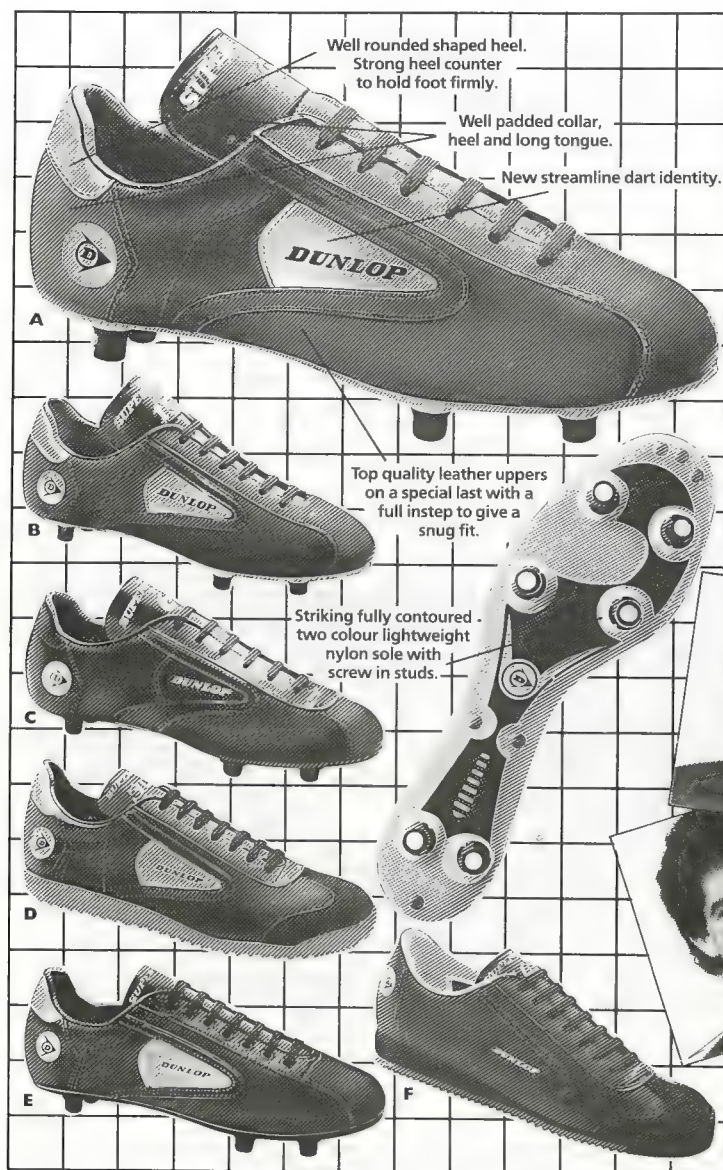
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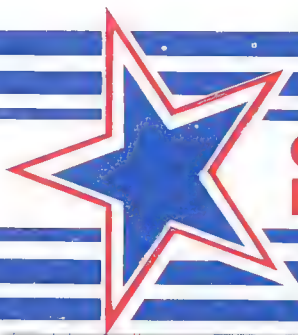
A representative from the Football League, Mr. Lloyd Bell, presents a cheque for £1,000 from Pepsi-Cola for scoring the most number of goals, home and away, in March, to the Chairman Mr. F. Pye. Looking on is the Mayor of Wigan, Mr. J. Bridge.

## **STAR SHOTS by DAVID COOKSON**

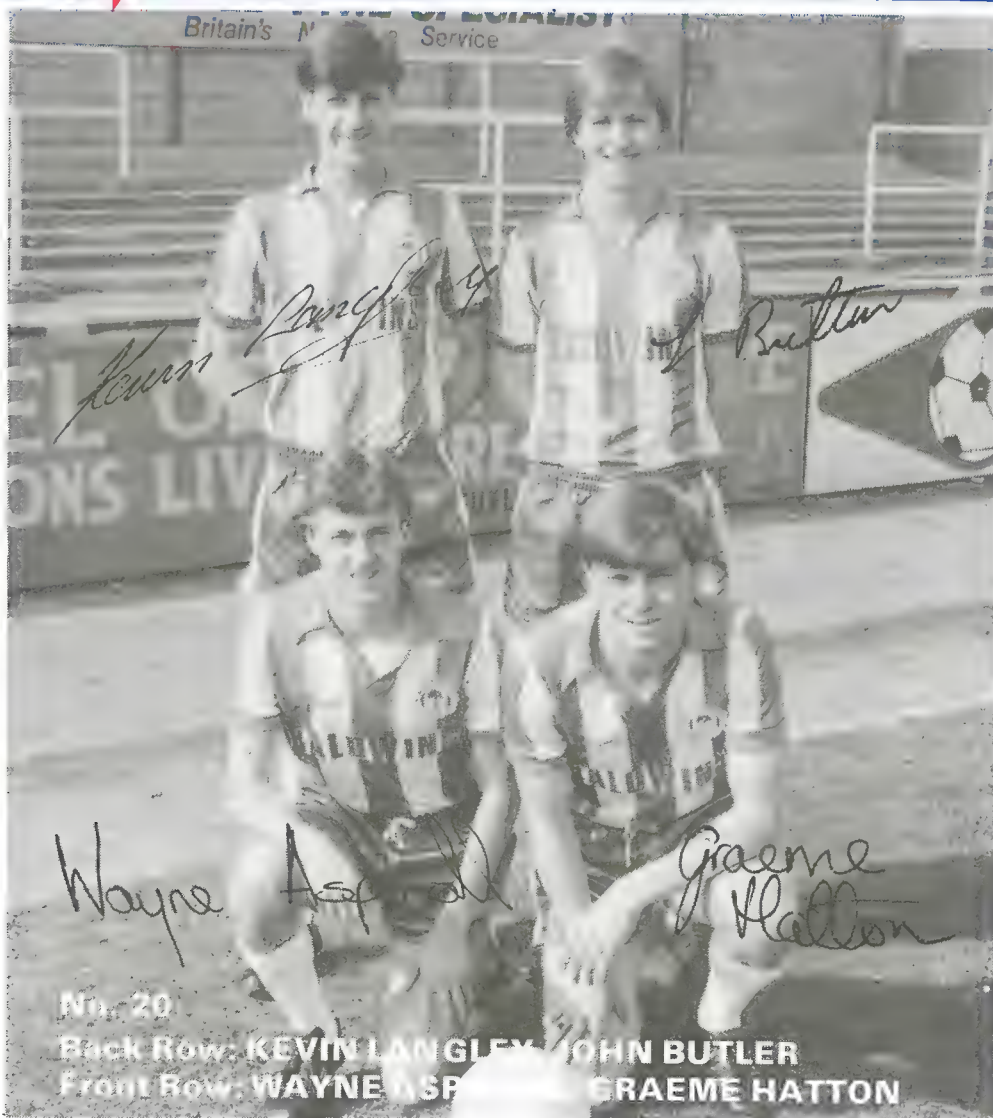
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# star shots



No. 20

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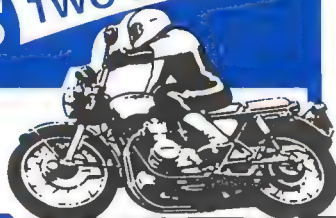
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Last week I looked back at the progress made by the Junior Latics from its beginning in September up to the New Year. This week, we'll look at the month's from January up to April.

We saw January in with a bang, when on the 4th our Guest of Honour was Granada Television's Elton Welsby, who presented over sixty boys and girls with their "Super Skills" awards. The attendance on the night was well over 200, and membership was continuing to grow.

On the 14th January, we held a show-night, in which Latics players and members of the Junior Latics committee were involved in some very funny comedy sketches. It turned out to be one long laugh, but the sight of Kevin Sheldon chasing a young member with custard pie is something we shall always remember.

One of the main problems we had was how to involve the girls, and if possible, to increase their numbers. Over the previous two or three months, Marie Brookfield had steadily been building a very strong netball coaching scheme, and it was this that was responsible for taking our membership of girls from ten or so in October, to over fifty in February.

At the end of January our second sessions of Coca-Cola Super Skills started. The response was remarkable, with over one hundred children turning out on the all-weather pitch for the first session.

February came in and on the 4th we held a Referees' Night, which was very enjoyable. The questions from the children were interesting and intelligent, and sometimes very funny.

As most of you will know, one of the most disappointing things to happen was our inability to get our Under 12's Football Team into action, but on the 13th February, we met Bolton Wanderers Junior Whites, and thrashed them 9-1. Since then, the boys have gone from strength to strength, and at this time, we are hoping to get them into either the Warrington Hilden League or the Bolton Boys Federation next season, as there is no comparative league in Wigan.

In March we welcomed Eamon O'Keefe as Guest of Honour for a marvellous evening, which also for the first time included a quiz, now a regular feature. We also welcomed a large group from Mere Oaks School, and another twenty two new members, to make it our best attended meeting so far. I will deal with April, and what has to follow, in our last programme.

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

8th May — Junior Latics v Manchester City

A curtain-raiser before the Mansfield Town game.

13th May — Asa Hartford Coca-Cola Presentation Night, commencing 6.45 p.m.

## **TONIGHT'S MATCH DAY MASCOT**

Tonight's mascot is Nichola Brown. Nichola is 13 years of age, and her favourite hobbies are Junior Latics netball and soccer. Her favourite players are Larry Lloyd, David Glenn and Peter Houghton. Have a nice evening Nichola.

# **JUNIOR LATICS**





John Butler in action in his first full team match .

Photographs by David Cookson





# SEASON TICKETS

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DATE	FIXTURE	F	A	ATT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1981																
AUG 29	Bradford City	3-3		4,229	Brown	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon†	Barrow	Bradd	Quinn	Evans <sup>2</sup>	Houghton
AUG 31	STOCKPORT CNTY. F.L. Cup 1 1st Leg	3-0		5,079	Brown	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd†	Quinn	Evans	Houghton
SEPT. 5	SHEFFIELD UNITED	0-1		8,001	Brown	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley†	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Wright
Sept. 12	Hartlepool United	1-2		1,715	Brown	McMahon	McAdam†	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Wright
Sept. 14	Stockport County F.L. Cup 1 2nd Leg	2-1		2,913	Ward	McMahon	Glenn	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Langley†	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Cribley
Sept. 19	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	3-1		3,996	Ward	McMahon	Glenn	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Langley†	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Cribley
Sept. 23	PORT VALE	2-0		4,525	Ward	McMahon	Cribley	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Quinn†	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Barrow
Sept. 26	Tranmere Rovers	0-0		2,774	Ward	McMahon	Cribley	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Quinn	Bradd†	Houghton	Evans	Langley
Sept. 29	A.F.C. Bournemouth	0-0		4,952	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Cribley
OCT. 3	TORQUAY UNITED	1 0		4,876	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Houghton	Quinn	Evans	Cribley
Oct. 6	Aldershot F.L. Cup 2 1st Leg	2-2		1,960	Ward	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Langley
Oct. 10	STOCKPORT COUNTY	2-1		4,873	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Cribley
Oct. 17	Hull City	2 0		3,600	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Cribley
Oct. 20	Bury	3-5		6,249	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wignall	Lloyd†	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Cribley
Oct. 24	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	2-1		4,553	Ward	McMahon	Weston	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd†	Houghton	Evans	M. Quinn
Oct. 27	ALDERSHOT F.L. Cup 2 2nd Leg	1 0		4,926	Brown	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Quinn M	Houghton	Evans	Wright
Oct. 30	Colchester United	2 1		3,882	Brown	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Glenn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Evans
NOV 4	DARLINGTON	2 1		4,512	Brown	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Glenn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Evans
Nov 7	HEREFORD UNITED	1 1		4,715	Tunks	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Glenn†	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Evans
Nov 11	CHELSEA F.L. Cup 3	4-2		12,063	Tunks	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall <sup>2</sup>	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
Nov 14	York City	0-0		2,780	Tunks	Cribley	Weston	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Glenn
Nov 21	HARTLEPOOL UNITED F.A. Cup 1	2-2		5,303	Tunks	McMahon	Cribley	Wignall	Bradd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Quinn	Houghton	Weston	Evans
Nov 25	Hartlepool United F.A. Cup 1R	0-1		3,739	Tunks	Cribley	Weston	Wignall†	Bradd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Quinn	Houghton	Evans	Glenn
Nov 28	Rochdale	1-1		2,675	Brown	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Bradd	Methven	Sheldon†	Barrow	Quinn	Houghton	Evans	Wright
DEC. 1	ASTON VILLA F.L. Cup 4	1 2		15,362	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall†	Bradd	Methven	Sheldon	Barrow	Quinn	Houghton	Evans	Wright
Dec. 5	HAI IFAX TOWN	2-0		4,002	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Bradd	Methven†	Sheldon	Barrow	Quinn	Houghton†	Evans	Wright



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MAY 15	Aldershot

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4 - 1	7,107	Tunks	Glenn	Weston	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Cribley
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3 - 2	2,418	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	O'Keefe	Evans
1 - 1	6,315	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wright	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	O'Keefe	Evans
1 - 1	8,775	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	O'Keefe	Evans
0 - 0	2,545	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	O'Keefe	Evans
1 - 0	5,120	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wignall	Bradd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	O'Keefe	Houghton	Evans	Weston
1 - 0	5,084	Tunks	Glenn	Cribley	Wignall	Lloyd	Methven	Quinn	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Weston
2 - 1	6,008	Tunks	Glenn	Weston	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	Quinn	Evans	Bradd	Houghton	O'Keefe	Wright
3 - 2	7,508	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
7 - 2	2,599	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
1 - 3	2,147	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Wignall	Cribley	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
3 - 2	6,747	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
0 - 1	22,336	Tunks	McMahon	Cribley	Weston	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
0 - 3	4,191	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Taylor	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Evans	Quinn
2 - 1	7,329	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Taylor	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Quinn
4 - 2	6,029	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Taylor	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Quinn
2 - 1	9,439	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Taylor	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Cribley
3 - 0	6,142	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Taylor	Cribley	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Evans
0 - 0	3,660	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	O'Keefe	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Weston	Taylor
1 - 1	6,153	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	Cribley	Lloyd	Methven	Butler	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Taylor	Quinn

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## Comment FROM THE CHAIR

Good evening and a very warm welcome to our visitors from Bournemouth for what will surely be a cruncher of a match, with the North being pitched against the South, as both teams battle for promotion. Bournemouth are a very professional and well organised side, and David Webb should be congratulated for the tremendous job he is doing there, as should his Directors, who have helped him tremendously.

It is a sad fact that one of the five clubs contending for promotion is going to lose out and whichever it is can count itself most unlucky. Last season, the third and fourth placed clubs were promoted with the equivalent of 78 points — this year the failing club could have ten points more than that. It will be an even greater reason to celebrate, therefore, when we achieve promotion knowing that this has been one of the toughest battles in the history of the Fourth Division. You will notice that I say "when" we achieve promotion, because I am now convinced that the only thing that can stop us is our lack of belief in ourselves.

We have a good side who work hard and have produced some great results over the season, and we have a great set of supporters. If there is any justice in the world, we will be playing in the Third Division in August.

Last week saw Les Bradd pick up the award for Player of the Year at the Supporters' Club annual event, and for the second time this season I am taking the opportunity to congratulate Les on what has been an excellent season for him. He is a true professional and a credit to the game, as well as being one of nature's gentlemen.

Finally, I would like to pass on the best wishes of everybody at Springfield Park to Billy Mitchell, our groundsman, who had a bit of a turn last week. I am sure that you will all join with me in wishing him a speedy recovery and in congratulating him and his grandson, Philip, for the tremendous job they have done on the ground this year. The excellent state of the pitch for tonight's game shows how much hard work they have put in during this most difficult and busiest of seasons, but now that he is approaching seventy, Billy will have to make sure that all the heavy work is done by the youngsters.

Enjoy the game,

Freddie Pye,  
Chairman.

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ON THE BALL No. 27 — Luton, Colin, Ossie, Hurst.  
CLUB CLUE No. 27 — Crewe (crew).  
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ATHLETIC**  
(Royal Blue & White Stripes)

- 1 Roy Tunks
- 2 John McMahon
- 3 David Glenn
- 4 Alex Cribley
- 5 Larry Lloyd
- 6 Colin Methven
- 7 Eamon O'Keefe
- 8 Graham Barrow
- 9 Les Bradd
- 10 Peter Houghton
- 11 Brian Taylor
- 12 To be announced

# TEAM CHECK

## OFFICIALS

Referee:  
**MR. M. LOWE**  
(Beighton, Sheffield)

Commenced refereeing in Sheffield local leagues in 1958, then through the Central League to the Football League full list in 1972. Was linesman at the 1971 F.A. Amateur Cup Final, a European Cup match in Sweden in 1972 and an Under-21 International in 1979.

A married man, with three children, he is a newsagent and during the summer he spends time running to keep fit. Enjoys training and mixing with professional players and feels this liaison has mutual advantages. He carried out work for his local Referees' Association, and is Chairman of Yorkshire Section of the A.F.L.R. & L.

### Linesmen:

Red Flag  
Mr. J.A. Lewis  
(Wrexham)

Yellow Flag  
Mr. G.T. Sumner  
(Harrogate)

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SCORERS .....

LATICS: .....

VISITORS: .....



**A.F.C.  
BOURNEMOUTH**  
(All Red)

- 1 Ian Leigh
- 2 Tom Hefterman
- 3 Chris Sulley
- 4 Nigel Spackman
- 5 Phil Brignull
- 6 John Impey
- 7 Steve Carter
- 8 Keith Williams
- 9 Andy Crawford
- 10 Trevor Morgan
- 11 Tony Funnell
- 12 To be announced.

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